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Title: Methods of Forming Fluorine Doped Insulating Materials

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING A REQUEST FOR AN
RCE IN RESPONSE TO SEPTEMBER 24, 2001 FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 24, 2001, Applicant respectfully requests an RCE and reconsideration of the above-referenced application in view of the amendments and remarks that follow in this Preliminary Amendment.

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